

Director's Rule 18-86

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Section 23.47.028B provides the following:

- 1. Banks with drive-in facilities shall provide a minimum of five queuing spaces per lane when the number of lanes does not exceed two.
- 2. Banks with three or more drive-in lanes shall provide a minimum of three queuing spaces per lane.
- 3. Car washes shall provide a minimum of ten queuing spaces.

Section 23.47.028C provides the following:

The Director shall establish the minimum number of queuing spaces needed for similar uses which are not listed above, using the quantities of subsection B as a guide.

RULE:

Queuing spaces required by the Land Use Code shall be located entirely on the private property of the lot containing the drive-in facility and shall be a minimum of eight and one-half feet wide by nineteen feet long and shall not be located in required driveways or aisles.

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REASON:

The Neighborhood Commercial Area Land Use Policies recognize the need to meet the potential demand for off-street queuing space for customers awaiting service in their cars at specified types of drive-in businesses. Businesses such as banks and car washes are required to have a minimum number of queuing spaces. To insure that off-street space is adequate to accommodate the anticipated demand it is necessary to define the size of a queuing space. Eight and one-half feet by nineteen feet is the required dimension for a large car parking space. A queuing space, unlike a parking space, requires that a minimum distance be maintained between waiting cars. Eight and one-half feet by nineteen feet per queuing space will accommodate the size of most cars with an allowance for space between cars in a queue, and help to insure that cars in a queue do not block traffic or sidewalks.